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**MAYOR BOB FILNER
CITY OF SAN DIEGO
News Release**

**MAYOR FILNER'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS
100 DAYS IN OFFICE!**

- ✓ Eliminated the Red Light Photo Enforcement cameras.
- ✓ Opened the first City of San Diego office in Tijuana as a commitment to cultivating a strong relationship, economic growth and cultural exchange.
- ✓ Announced the City's intention to co-submit with Tijuana, Mexico an Olympic bid for the world's first Bi-National Olympics in 2024.
- ✓ Installed a 24-hour, infrared "Seal-Cam" at La Jolla Children's Pool, giving the world a view of Harbor seals and scientists an avenue to conduct research during pupping season.
- ✓ Increased Children's Pool seal protection enforcement by fixing a City mistake and extended the rope separating the seals from the humans to 154 feet from 132 feet.
- ✓ Held a "Solar Summit" with the leaders of the County of San Diego, the San Diego Unified School District and solar technology experts in the first

step to dramatically increase solar energy as part of all government buildings.

- ✓ Hired a staff reflective of the diversity of the City. Latinos, African Americans, Asian Pacific Islanders, and the LGBT community are represented and females are more than half.
- ✓ Established an Open Government office headed by former City Councilmember Donna Frye.
- ✓ Held “Meet-the-Mayor” hours on the first Saturday of every month in the lobby of City Hall. Already more than 200 people, or about 130 groups, sat down face-to-face with the Mayor and discussed everything from zoning issues, to homeless issues, to possible employment with the city.
- ✓ Had unrestricted, on-the-record conversations with the media in monthly “Pen & Paper” sessions in the Mayor’s conference room, filmed to air on City TV.
- ✓ Announced the creation of CicloSDias, or bike day, to promote health, alternative transportation and community culture on August 18, winding along a 4.6 mile route through the communities of Logan Heights, City Heights, Golden Hill, South Park and North Park.
- ✓ Changed policy at the Homeless Veterans Tent to allow services to women veterans.
- ✓ Ordered a moratorium on City Hall travel, hiring and contracts to rein in city expenditures while developing new business processes.
- ✓ Began the fight for a five-year labor union agreement with the goal of a five-year freeze on pensionable pay.
- ✓ Mediated labor contract talks between SEIU and the Housing Commission.

- ✓ Secured \$6.9 million to upgrade the antiquated Computer Assisted Dispatch system for the San Diego Police Department, using one-time funds, which were approved by the City Council.
- ✓ Re-programmed unused Community Development Block Grants to pay for all existing Section 108 loans owed to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- ✓ Released the mid-year budget report and surplus adjustments to install two public restrooms in East Village, fund planning for the Balboa Park Centennial Celebration and extend the emergency homeless shelter for three months.
- ✓ Signed the first Property Value Protection Ordinance in the City of San Diego to clean up blighted foreclosed properties.
- ✓ Initiated taxi cab reform by facilitating the transfer of the taxi cab administration process from Metropolitan Transit Service to the City.
- ✓ Delivered a strong message to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on behalf of the people of San Diego, demanding a public, transparent and full license amendment hearing before there is any restart of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station because the safety of 8 million Southern California residents would be in jeopardy.
- ✓ Created the Mayor's Living Legends Award, presented annually during the State of the City Address to women and men who have made a difference in the life of the city, state, nation and the world, whether in the arts, business, science, medicine, athletics, or in matters of faith.
- ✓ Met with local experts on school safety in the wake of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut, anticipating the concerns of San Diego parents.
- ✓ Supported Senator Dianne Feinstein's bill to ban assault weapons.

- ✓ Joined Mayors Against Illegal Guns.
- ✓ Is in the process of establishing a Sustainable Neighborhoods Department at the City, in order to make quality of life in our neighborhoods a priority at City Hall.
- ✓ Is fighting for customers of Time Warner Cable to have the ability to watch local Padres games.
- ✓ Delivered a comprehensive vision for the Port of San Diego in order to create 5,000 new jobs and proposed a process for Port Commissioner appointments.
- ✓ Developing a plan to remove cars in the Plaza de Panama area of Balboa Park in response to a Superior Court ruling that shot down a \$40 million park redevelopment plan.
- ✓ Announced that Earth Fair 2013 will now be held at its original historic location after the court ruling on the Plaza de Panama.
- ✓ Restarted the 2015 Centennial Celebration in Balboa Park with a new focus.
- ✓ Announced the Chargers would not leave town or move to Los Angeles, signaling his commitment to keeping the Chargers in San Diego.
- ✓ Proposed and docketed for action a new Medical Marijuana ordinance to ensure that those who need compassionate care have access to the medical marijuana that can provide a better quality of life.
- ✓ Made sure warm jackets were donated to the needy in Mexico as one of the first acts as Mayor.

- ✓ Solved the Kearny Villa Road flooding issue, which was disrupting FAA employee access to the agency's Southern California TRACON facility, the busiest air traffic facility in the world.
- ✓ Worked with city-hired contractors to reduce nighttime construction noise near the newly-opened Flower Hill Mall.
- ✓ Brought traffic engineers and community and school leaders together to expedite traffic calming measure along Gold Coast Drive in front of Good Shepherd Catholic School in Mira Mesa.
- ✓ Appointed LGBT activist Stamp Corbin as Chair of the Citizens Equal Opportunity Commission.
- ✓ Joined Mayors for Marriage Equality.
- ✓ Met with the Consul General of Canada David Fransen and Consul General of Mexico Remedio Gomez Arnau and discussed working together with Tijuana and San Diego on issues related to the North American Free Trade Agreement.
- ✓ Expedited the work to get the Rancho Bernardo Community Park's "Snack Shack" repaired.
- ✓ Signed an Economic Development Incentive Agreement for the construction of a new Community Health Center in Diamond neighborhood, saving the Center \$25,000, which will be redirected to patient care.
- ✓ Removed the last above-ground utility pole in the Bay Ho neighborhood during the final stage of the utility line undergrounding project, as an example of putting neighborhoods first.
- ✓ Fighting hard on the Tourism Marketing District to secure a better deal for the taxpayers and hotel workers.

- ✓ Helped a homeless person move into her new apartment at the recently-opened Connections Housing at 1250 6th Avenue, as part of his commitment to end homelessness in San Diego.
- ✓ Convinced CLUB XOLOS – Tijuana’s Champion Soccer Team - to hold its winter training session for the first time in San Diego and welcomed the team to the City.
- ✓ Supported an initiative to officially designate State Route 52, a California Scenic Highway.
- ✓ Mediated labor contract talks between SEIU and the Housing Commission.
- ✓ Oversaw settlement negotiations with Our Lady of Peace Catholic School and the City and substantially reduced the city’s financial liability from \$6.5 million to \$500,000 in an agreed-upon settlement.
- ✓ Attended the U.S. Conference of Mayors in Washington D.C. and met with Customs and Border Protection on how to improve border wait times.
- ✓ Met with Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano on her visit to San Diego and urged that additional funds be secured for border crossings, technology and increased staff to increase jobs in trade and commerce.
- ✓ Issued more than 60 proclamations to groups and individuals for outstanding work or significant milestones.
- ✓ Attended more than 300 community and organization events, ceremonies.
- ✓ Donated event tickets to about 15 service and non-profit organizations to show support and appreciation for their services to the community.

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